GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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Beti Bachao Beti Padhao
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a decline in the Child Sex Ratio (CSR) during the period from 2011-12, 2012-13 and 2013-14 if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise rural and urban areas separately;

(b) the salient features of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) scheme along with the districts selected and the total project cost thereof;

(c) the funds allocated/released and utilised under the scheme since 2014-15, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether the scheme has been successful in addressing the problem of CSR and if so, the details thereof indicating the study/impact assessment, if any, made along with the progress/achievements of the scheme; and

(e) the further measures taken by the Government to popularise the scheme and extend its coverage to more districts in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 153 FOR 25.11.2016 (13TH POSITION) BY DR. PRITAM GOPINATH MUNDE AND SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV REGARDING BETI BACHAO BETI PADHAO

(a) The Census (2011) data showed a significant declining trend in the Child Sex Ratio (CSR) between 0-6 years with an all time low of 918. CSR is measured by the census in a decade. The State/UT wise detail of the CSR as per Census 2011 is placed at Annexure I.

(b) Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Campaign (BBBP) was launched by Prime Minister on 22nd January, 2015 at Panipat, Haryana. BBBP addresses the declining Child Sex Ratio (CSR) and related issues of women empowerment over a life-cycle continuum. It is a tri-ministerial effort of Ministries of Women and Child Development, Health & Family Welfare and Human Resource Development. The key elements of the scheme include nation-wide awareness and advocacy campaign and multi-sectoral action in selected 161 districts at present (list of 161 districts is attached at Annexure-II). The multisectoral action includes strict enforcement of Pre-Conception & Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (PC&PNDT) Act, Pre-Natal/Post Natal care of mother, enrolment in schools, construction of girl toilets, community engagement and training etc.

(c) A statement regarding funds allotted/ released and utilised under BBBP Campaign since 2014-15 is annexed at Annexure-III.

(d) & (e) Since the overall objective of the Scheme is to improve declining Child Sex Ratio in the country and create an enabling environment for the education of girl child, this requires long-term attitudinal change. The Scheme is at a nascent stage of implementation and it is too early to assess its impact at this stage. However, scheme has been received well and and in the last one and half year, several local innovative interventions have been demonstrated by the districts with support from Departments of WCD,

Health & Education. In the first phase 100 districts were taken up and in the Second phase, 61 more districts are covered under the scheme.

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